

OPM - Criminal Justice Policy & Planning Division

RREC Report: September 2019

Highlights

- According to data provided by the CT DOC, 415 offenders who earned and maintained at least 1 day of RREC discharged their sentences in September 2019. An additional 13 offenders, earned and subsequently forfeited all of the RREC they had earned.
- The amount of RREC awarded ranged from 1 to 679 days. The average discharged offender was awarded 79 days. 240 or 58% of offenders discharging with awarded RREC had 60 days or less.
- All sentenced discharges were up slightly year over year in the month of September; RREC related discharges while higher, did not go up as much as all discharges did.
- Offenders who discharged in September with awarded RREC served time for a wide range of offenses. There are 76 controlling offenses associated with these discharges. The offenses and frequencies are listed in Table 2.

This report builds on the initial summary report published In February 2016 by this office. That report is available at the following link:
http://www.ct.gov/opm/lib/opm/RREC_REPORT_SUMMARY.pdf

TABLES

TABLE 1 - Discharges

	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018	% Change	
	June	July	Aug	Sept	Sept	Monthly	Annual
All Sentenced Discharges	527	629	609	582	551	-4%	6%
With Awarded RREC	434	428	462	415	406	-10%	2%
Forfeited All Earned RREC	16	30	15	13	22		

TABLE 2 - Controlling offenses at discharge of offenders awarded RREC: September 2019

Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency	Controlling offense	Frequency
53A032	119	53A223A	3	53A157B	1
21A277A	42	54-076B	3	53A151	1
53A103	19	53A102	3	53A147	1
53A061	15	53A071	2	53A107	1
53A223*	13	53A060D	2	53A129C	1
53A060	11	53A055A	2	53A060A	1
53A049	10	14-224	2	53A115	1
53A059	9	53A135	2	53A113	1
14-227A	9	53A217C	2	53A110B	1
21A279A	8	53A172	2	53A103A	1
53A124	7	53A128D	2	53A101	1
53A134	7	29-038	2	53A073A	1
53A125B	7	SPECPAR	2	53A070	1
53A048	6	53A129D	2	53A064	1
53A169	6	53A125	2	53A063	1
53A122	5	53-206	2	53A139	1
53A123	5	53A112	1		
53A167A	5	53A056B	1		
21A278B	5	29-035A	1		
53A167C	5	53A008	1		
29-035	5	53A021	1		
53A062	5	14-227K	1		
53A64BB	4	53A055	1		
21A277B	4	53A119B	1		
53-021	4	PURGE	1		
53A173	3	53A223B	1		
53-021*	3	53A212	1		
53A136	3	53A189B	1		
53A125A	3	53A183	1		
53A217	3	53A181	1		
		Total			415

Releases and discharges: In CT DOC parlance, a “discharge” occurs when an offender is no longer in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction. A “release” has an entirely different meaning. Prisoners are discharged at the end of their sentences. Prisoners in a community supervision program, like parole or transitional supervision, for example, have been released from a prison facility but they remain under the custody of the DOC until they “discharge” at the conclusion of their sentences. RREC is only applied toward a prisoner’s eventual **discharge** date.

Awarded RREC: This analysis does not account for forfeited or revoked credits. The Commissioner has the ability to revoke credits for a variety of reasons and frequently exercises that authority. The total credits earned by an individual offender may have been more than what was ultimately awarded. In addition, some of the credits may have been earned after release but before discharge. The only way to determine whether RREC had any impact on a **release** must be done on a case-by-case basis.